

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of said polypeptide consists of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 2 (withdrawn) An isolated polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of said polypeptide comprises SEQ ID NO:2.
3. (previously presented) An isolated antibody that selectively binds to a polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of said polypeptide consists of SEQ ID NO:2.
- 4-23. (canceled)
24. (currently amended) An isolated antibody that selectively binds to a polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of said polypeptide comprises the contiguous amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.
25. (previously presented) The antibody of claim 3, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
26. (previously presented) The antibody of claim 24, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
27. (previously presented) The antibody of claim 3, wherein the antibody is coupled to a detectable substance.
28. (previously presented) The antibody of claim 24, wherein the antibody is coupled to a detectable substance.
29. (previously presented) The antibody of claim 25, wherein the antibody is coupled to a detectable substance.

30. (previously presented) The antibody of claim 26, wherein the antibody is coupled to a detectable substance.
31. (previously presented) A composition comprising the antibody of claim 3 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
32. (previously presented) A composition comprising the antibody of claim 24 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
33. (previously presented) A composition comprising the antibody of claim 25 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
34. (previously presented) A composition comprising the antibody of claim 26 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
35. (previously presented) An isolated antibody fragment that selectively binds to a polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of said polypeptide consists of SEQ ID NO:2, and wherein the antibody fragment comprises a fragment selected from the group consisting of:
- a) an Fab fragment;
 - b) an F(ab')₂ fragment; and
 - c) an Fv fragment.
36. (currently amended) An isolated antibody fragment that selectively binds to a polypeptide, wherein the amino acid sequence of said polypeptide comprises the contiguous amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, and wherein the antibody fragment comprises a fragment selected from the group consisting of:
- a) an Fab fragment;
 - b) an F(ab')₂ fragment; and
 - c) an Fv fragment.

37. (withdrawn) A composition comprising the polypeptide of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

38. (withdrawn) A composition comprising the polypeptide of claim 2 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.